

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

<i>In re</i> Application of:	)	Filed: September 17, 2003
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Katsuya Satoh, <i>et al.</i>	)	Docket No. 001458.00037
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Serial No.: TBA	)	Attn.: Mail Stop Patent Application

For: METHOD FOR EFFICIENTLY DETERMINING A DNA STRAND BREAK

Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of any claim fees, please amend the instant application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.